

This trust, generously endowed by the late Kathleen Blundell, makes awards to British authors under the age of 40 who need funding for important research, travel or other expenditure. There will be two rounds of grants per year, awarded in the spring and in the autumn.

DEADLINE: 30 APRIL 2018

ELIGIBILITY At Miss Blundell's request, applicants must satisfy the following conditions

1. The author must be British by birth, ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom and under the age of 40 on the closing date for applications (30 April 2018);
2. The author must submit a copy of their latest published book;
3. The work must 'contribute to the greater understanding of existing social and economic organisation'. Fiction is not excluded.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- No author may apply to the K Blundell twice in the same year. Successful applicants may not normally apply to the Trust or Authors' Foundation within four years of receiving an award.
- Editors, translators and screenwriters are not eligible.
- Grants will not be awarded to cover publication costs.

HOW TO APPLY Application is made by letter (2-3 pages) and enclosures. Please include the following:

1. At the *beginning of your letter*, please provide an **80-100 word summary** briefly explaining the project you are requesting funding for, and a short outline of your current financial position.
2. In the *main body of your letter*, please include the following:
 - i. Brief information about yourself and your books, and full details of the book on which you are working
 - ii. Information about your financial position with a full explanation as to why an award is needed and how it would be used. (NB: Grants range between £2,000—£4,000.)
 - iii. Details of any publisher's advance received or due (the size of any advance may be taken into consideration by the assessors)
 - iv. The names of publishers contacted. If you have not approached any publishers with your project, please explain why not
 - v. Details of any grants you have received in the last three years
 - vi. Confirmation that you satisfy the eligibility criteria specified by Miss Blundell (detailed above)
 - vii. Copies of any recent reviews (not more than 2-3 pages on A4 paper – and not original cuttings)
 - viii. Submission of your latest book (which will be returned if a self-addressed label and stamps are enclosed)

Please note: Letters must be typed and **all papers submitted must be on single-sided A4 paper**. Please **DO NOT** staple or bind the papers together as they will be photocopied. Submissions by fax or email are not acceptable. Please include your address, email and telephone number on your application.

If you would like your application acknowledged, please send an SAE marked 'ACK KB'. It is not necessary to apply to the Authors' Foundation separately, as unsuccessful K Blundell applications will automatically be considered by the Foundation.

**SEND TO: PAULA JOHNSON, AWARDS SECRETARY, THE K BLUNDELL TRUST,
THE SOCIETY OF AUTHORS, 84 DRAYTON GARDENS, LONDON, SW10 9SB**